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 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 AN ACT

relating to the membership and operating procedure of the Texas  
 Water Rights Commission; amending Section 6.012, Subsection (b)  
 of Section 6.013, and Subsection (e) of Section 6.018, Water Code;  
 and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. Section 6.012, Water Code, is amended to read  
 as follows:

"Sec. 6.012. MEMBERS OF COMMISSION; APPOINTMENT. The  
 commission is composed of six [~~three~~] members who are appointed  
 by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The  
 governor shall make the appointments in such a manner that each  
 member is from a different geographical section of the state."

Sec. 2. Subsection (b), Section 6.013, Water Code, is  
 amended to read as follows:

"(b) On February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the terms  
of two commissioners expire [~~term of one commissioner expires~~]."

Sec. 3. Subsection (e), Section 6.018, Water Code, is  
 amended to read as follows:

"(e) A majority of the commission is a quorum and is  
required to perform any official act."

Sec. 4. The members serving on the commission on the  
 effective date of this Act shall continue to serve for their  
 unexpired terms, and the three additional members to be appointed

1 on the effective date of this Act shall be designated by the  
2 governor to serve as follows: one member to serve until February  
3 1, 1975, one until February 1, 1977, and one until February 1,  
4 1979.

5 Sec. 5. The importance of this legislation and the crowded  
6 condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and  
7 an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule  
8 requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house  
9 be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this  
10 Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and  
11 it is so enacted.

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By *W. H. Hall*

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